FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: February 12, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2235** - **HB 2827**

This bill, if enacted, will extend the provision dealing with the hours the county election commission is required to be open during early voting to include municipal elections for the principal municipality in the county.

The bill further provides that the county election commission and the municipal governing body shall jointly determine the dates for additional hours and a basis for the sharing of the costs of such additional hours. This would only apply in counties with a population in excess of 150,000.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in local government expenditures* of approximately \$5,000. This estimate is based on four counties being affected at a cost of approximately \$1,250 per election.

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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^{*}Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.